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SUBJECT: SECURITY PLANNING FOR NEW CONSULATE SAPPORO

1. ON MARCH 9, DCM, ADMIN COUNSELOR, RSO REPRESENTATIVES OF USIS/TOKYO AND FBO DISCUSSED SECURITY FEATURES OF NEW CONSULATE IN SAPPORO AS PROPOSED IN PLANS BROUGHT TO POST FROM DEPARTMENT BY VISITING FBO REPS. POST SUPPORTS CONCEPT OF OPEN LOBBY AND LOCATION OF CONTROLLED DOORS/AREAS BUT PROPOSES CERTAIN MODIFICATION TO BETTER SUIT LOCAL REQUIREMENTS.

2. USIS OBJECTS TO MAINTAINING AMERICAN CENTER DOORS TO LIBRARY, BASEMENT MULTI-PURPOSE AREA AND BPAO OFFICES IN LOCKED MODE. OBJECTION WITH WHICH EMBASSY IS IN FULL AGREEMENT IS BASED ON CONCERN THAT CONTROLLED ACCESS TO LIBRARY AND OTHER AMERICAN CENTER ACTIVITIES, WHEREIN VISITORS ADMITTED INDIVIDUALLY BY ACTIVATION ELECTRICAL DEADBOLTS, WOULD CONFLICT WITH REQUIREMENT FOR IMPRESSION OF ACCESSIBILITY AND FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT. EMBASSY AND USIS DO NOT OBJECT, HOWEVER, TO MAINTAINING DOORS FITTED WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ELECTRICALLY CONTROLLED DEADBOLTS (IN OPEN MODE POSITION) WHICH COULD BE LOCKED BY CONTROLLER IN EMERGENCY SITUATION. RSO NOTES THAT MAINTAINING CONTROLLED DOORS IN UNLOCKED MODE IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH MINIMUM STANDARDS BUT WILL NOT OBJECT TO WAIVER OF STANDARDS PROVIDING USIS/WASHINGTON AND A/SY FEELWAIVER JUSTIFIED CONSIDERING AMERICAN CENTER OBJECTIVES. ACCESS WILL CONTINUE TOBE CONTROLLED BY

UNIFORMED GUARD PERFORMING PACKAGE CHECK AND BAG SEARCH.

- 3. FRONT ENTRANCE TO CONSULATE CONSISTS OF TWO SETS DOUBLE DOORS. AS CONTROLLER PROTECTED BY LEXGARD-PROTECTED BOOTH IN LOBBY, RSO FEELS IT NOT NECESSARY THAT FRONT DOOR ALSO BE CONSTRUCTED OF LEXGARD. RSO SUGGESTS THAT ONE HALF INCH LEXAN BE USED FOR INNER SET OF DOOR. RSO SUPPORTS SY/FO SUGGESTION THAT ALL INTERIOR CONTROLLED DOORS BE SHIELDED WITH T-3 AND THAT LEXGARD BE USED BETWEEN CONSULAR WAITING ROOM AND OFFICE AREAS. RSO WOULD APPRECIATE SY/FO (HOLDA'S) COMMENTS ON POSSIBLE USE OF LOCALLY MANUFACTURED LAMINATED SAFETY GLA-S ON ENTRANCE DOORS. THIS WOULD BE SAME TYPE OF GLASS USED ON LOWER FLOORS OF EMBASSY AND PROPOSED FOR WINDOWS IN SAPPORO CONSULATE.
- 4. RSO HAS RESERVATIONS REGARDING PLAN TO NOT CONSTRUCT VAULT IN CONSULATE. AS CONSULATE MAINTAINS CRYPTO MATERIAL IN FORM OF T.S. ONE TIME PADS AT POST, VAULT MAY BE REQUIRED FOR STORAGE. REQUEST A/SY/FO REVIEW POSSIBLE VAULT REQUIREMENT WITH OC/S AND ADVISE POST.
- 5. AS LEVEL OF THREAT IN JAPAN LOW AND WEAPONS/EXPLOSIVES DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN, POST STRONGLY OBJECTS TO USE OFWALK-THROUGH METAL DETECTOR AT CONSULATE IN SAPPORO. THIS OBJECTION ALSO APPLIES TO EMBASSY AND OTHER CONSULATES IN JAPAN. USIS SUPPORTS OBJECTION WITH THEIR POSITION THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PERSONAL PHYSICAL OR DETECTOR SEARCH OF AMERICAN CENTER VISITORS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE.

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